POINT MEETING - OCTOBER 4, 1973, @ THE HOME OF JERRY MANDER

PRESENT: HUEY JOHNSON, JERRY MANDER, STEWART BRAND, NATHAN HARE, MIKE PHILLIPS, RICHARD BAKER ROSHI, LARRY KLEIN, LOIS BRAND, RICHARD AUSTIN.

JERRY INTRODUCED THE ELIJAH: JOANNA LEARY.

MIKE: ARE THERE ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA?

JERRY: YES, INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY IN OUR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS.

LARRY: I HAVE THE SOFTWAR PROGRAM RESOLUTION HERE FOR APPROVAL AND SIGNATURE BY THE DIRECTORS.

HUEY: SOFTWAR IS GOING TO BE A SUCCESS AND COULD HAVE NATIONAL IMPLICATIONS. IT'S ALSO POSSIBLE THAT WE MAY BE ABLE TO LEASE THE SITE PERMENANTLY.

MIKE: FOR THE BENEFIT OF NATHAN AND BAKER ROSHI - THE REASON FOR THIS RESOLUTION IS SO THAT $50,000 WOULD BE SET ASIDE FOR THE SOFTWAR PROGRAM IN THE EVENT THAT THE POINT FUNDS ARE DEPLETED; IT'S A WAY TO GUARANTEE MONEY FOR THE PROGRAM THOUGH THE NEW DIRECTORS MAY POSSIBLY SPEND THE BALANCE OF THE POINT MONEY.

STEWART: LOOKS LIKE NEW GAMES WILL BE A BIG EVENT. IT'S NECESSARY TO HAVE PRE-REGISTRATION AS THERE'S ONLY ROOM FOR 2000/DAY. ANY MORE THAN THAT WILL BE A DISASTER.

LARRY: THE WHOLE EARTH EPILOG AGREEMENT WITH POINT STATES THAT STEWART WOULD GET 15% OF POINT'S INCOME FROM SALES - NOT TO EXCEED $15,000 PER YEAR WITH THE EXCESS TO BE HELD BY POINT FOR FUTURE PAYOUT TO STEWART. I MIGHT SUGGEST THAT YOU (STEWART) GIVE UP ANY RIGHT TO INTEREST MADE ON THE EXCESS THAT IS HELD OVER BY POINT. IT WILL BE EASIER FOR YOU TO DEAL WITH THE IRS. IT'S ALSO GOOD TO HAVE A CUTOFF DATE SAY BY 1978 WITH A LUMP SUM PAYMENT THEN. IT'S ALSO AGREED THAT YOU'LL GET A $10,000 AUTHORS ADVANCE FROM POINT THIS YEAR (1973) WITH THE NEXT PAYMENT WHENEVER THEY ARRIVE FROM SALES (PROBABLY 1975).

STEWART: IF YOU FEEL THAT'S THE BEST WAY IT SOUNDS GOOD TO ME.

THE PRECEEDING WAS AGREED UPON.

MIKE: S.D. LEIDSDORF & CO. IN NEW YORK HAS BEEN HIRED TO DO THE RANDOM HOUSE AUDIT. LARRY ALSO SUGGESTED THAT WE HIRE A LAWYER TO SUPERVISE THEM WHICH I'VE DONE IN ASKING MY UNCLE JOHN HERZ. HE'S WITH WOLF, HALDERSTEIN, ADLER, FREEMAN, HERZ, AND FRANK.
POINT HAS MADE A $10,000 LOAN AS PART OF THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN OF THE LOWER FILMORE NEIGHBORHOOD VIA HUEY NEWTON'S BROTHER-IN-LAW, GLEN GEOFREY.
I WANT TO MAKE A $4,000 GRANT TO A TIBETAN BUDHISM GROUP, THE NYINGMA SECT, FOR A STUDY CENTER IN NEPAL. I NEED TO FIND A WAY TO GET THEM U.S. DOLLARS.
STEWART HAS MADE THE SUGGESTION THAT THE OUTGOING DIRECTORS SHOULD WRITE AN "ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE" PAPER ON THEIR EXPERIENCE WITH POINT AND MONEY GIVING FOR/TO THEIR SUCCESSOR. DICK RAYMOND HAS ALREADY DONE SO AT MY REQUEST.

ALL AGREED ON THE WRITING OF THE PAPER.

JERRY: I'LL WRITE MINE TO THE "PUBLIC".

BAKER ROSHI: I'LL DECIDE AT THE TIME WHAT TO DO.

MIKE: THIS IS MY IDEA OF LEGISLATING TRADITION.

BAKER ROSHI: I APPROVE OF LEGISLATING TRADITION.

MIKE: HUEY WISHES TO TALK ABOUT A SPECIAL GRANT TO C.E.P.

HUEY: I FEEL THAT THERE HAVE BEEN FEW ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN AS DYNAMIC AS ALICE AND HER GROUP. THEY DO EVERYTHING RIGHT THAT NADER DOESN'T. RIGHT NOW C.E.P. IS ABOUT TO DO AN OIL STUDY FROM HERE ON THE WEST COAST AND IT WILL COST ABOUT $40,000 WHICH IS BEYOND THEIR SCOPE. IT STANDS TO HAVE A GREAT IMPACT ON ONE OF THE GREAT POLLUTION PROBLEMS IN THIS COUNTRY. THEY'VE GOT $5,000 SO FAR AND I'M ASKING POINT FOR $35,000.

STEWART: WHAT EXACTLY WILL THEY STUDY? WHAT ABOUT THE TOP VISIBILITY OF THE ENERGY CRISES - ARE THEY TAKING THAT INTO ACCOUNT?

HUEY: MOSTLY THE POLLUTION CRISES RELATED TO THAT INDUSRTY BUT ALSO OTHER IMPLICATIONS SUCH AS DEPLETION OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ALL THE SPINOFFS OF THE ENERGY CRISES.

LARRY: WHAT ABOUT THE INTERLOCKING OF THE 8 MAJOR COMPANIES? THAT'S SOMETHING TO CONSIDER.

JERRY: THEIR WORK IS OUTSTANDING AND I APPROVE OF THE IDEA BUT WHAT I'M FEELING IS THAT THERE MIGHT BE SEVERAL GROUPS THAT SHOULD GET LARGE GRANTS AND I DO NOT KNOW WHICH IS THE MOST IMPORTANT. THIS BRINGS ME BACK TO MY EARLIER STATEMENTS THAT WE OUGHT TO BE SPENDING MORE. THIS HAS BECOME ONE OF YOUR FAVORITE PROJECTS HUEY AND BASED ON YOUR 2 YEARS WITH POINT YOU USE THAT TO PUSH FOR C.E.P. IT MAY NOT BE MY CHOICE FOR A LARGE GRANT FOR I MAY WANT TO GO IN ANOTHER DIRECTION. HOW DO OTHERS FEEL ABOUT THAT? I'M INCLINED TO BIGGER GRANTS THIS YEAR - BIG GRANTS THE FIRST YEAR, SMALL ONES THIS PAST YEAR, AND BIG ONES FOR THE LAST YEAR AND THAT IS WHY - FEEL THE DISCRETIONARY FUNDS SHOULD BE BIGGER.

HUEY: WELL, WE DID TALK ABOUT REWARDING HEROS AND I FEEL ALICE'S GROUP IS JUST SUCH A CASE, AS IS PROJECT JONAH.

STEWART: I'M IN FAVOR OF THE C.E.P. GRANT BUT NOT LARGER DISCRETIONARY FUNDS.

MIKE: WELL, I'M IN A BIASED POSITION BECAUSE ALICE STAYS WITH ME WHEN IN S.F.

JERRY: WE ARE ALL IN BIASED POSITIONS SO LET'S RULE THAT OUT.

JOANNA: IT SEEMS THAT THIS STUDY WOULD HAVE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS WORLD WIDE BECAUSE OF THE OIL CRISES.

BAKER ROSHI: HOW MUCH MONEY DO WE HAVE TO GIVE AWAY?

MIKE: ABOUT $700,000 WITH $350,000 TO BE SPENT IN 1974. LET'S VOTE.

THERE WERE 5 YESES AND 2 NOS (JERRY AND JOANNA). AS THERE WAS NO CONCENSUS THERE WAS A DISCUSSION ON CONCENSUS.

STEWART: CONCENSUS IS WHERE NO <u>ONE</u> SAYS "OVER MY DEAD BODY".

JERRY: I'D LIKE TO THINK ABOUT THE GRANT AND TALK TO ALICE, AS I THINK NATHAN WOULD. I'D ALSO LIKE TO BE ABLE TO POSSIBLY ADD SOMETHING I'D LIKE TO SEE IN THE STUDY.

JOANNA: I ALWAYS VOTE NO ON MONEY MATTERS WHEN I'M NOT WELL INFORMED.

JERRY: REGARDING CONCENSUS - I FEEL WE SHOULD USE IT OR DROP IT BUT NOT KEEP FINDING WAYS AROUND IT.

HUEY: I FEEL THAT CONCENSUS IS A HAVEN FOR INDECISION.

BAKER ROSHI: CONCENSUS IS AN EXTREMELY ELABORATE SYSTEM AS IS SEEN IN BUDHISM AND IN JAPAN (THOUGH THEY ARE A BIT DIFFERENT).

MIKE: I FAVOR IT. IT'S AN EXTRA-CULTURAL CONCEPT AND IT FORCES US TO FIND ALTERNATIVES.

BAKER ROSHI: WE HAVE DIFFERENT VALUES AND SO IT'S HARD TO USE SOMEONE ELSE'S SYSTEM.

HUEY: LET'S HAVE JERRY AND NATHAN MEET WITH ALICE. I FEEL THIS IS AN IMPORTANT DECISION AND WE SHOULDN'T DECIDE IN A HURRY. ALICE CAN WAIT FOR A LITTLE WHILE LONGER.

JOANNA: I'D LIKE TO TALK ABOUT AN EXTRATERRESTIAL JOURNEY WITH THE IDEA OF BUILDING A UTOPIAN MODEL TO ADVANCE EVOLUTION.

JOANNA READ "STAR SEED", AN EXTRATERRESTIAL CONCEPT WRITTEN BY TIM LEARY.

MIKE: I STRONGLY ENDORSE TERRA II AS I HAVE BEEN THINKING ALONG THESE LINES MYSELF. WE ARE RUNNING LATE AND NEED A DECISION ON THE C.E.P. GRANT.

JERRY: NATHAN AND I WILL MEET WITH ALICE TOMORROW AFTERNOON - AS HUEY SAID, IT IS AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

HUEY: I HAVE SOME PRESSING BUSINESS AND SHOULD LEAVE.

MIKE: WE STILL HAVE FOUR AGENDA ITEMS. I THINK WE SHOULD DEAL WITH THEM BEFORE YOU GO.

HUEY: I DON'T LIKE THESE LONG MEETINGS.

STEWART: HOW ABOUT SHORTER AND MORE FREQUENT MEETINGS.

HUEY: YES.

JERRY: I'M IN FAVOR OF FEWER AND LONGER MEETINGS.

MIKE: WE STILL HAVE TO DEAL WITH THESE AGENDA ITEMS, AND SOON. HOW ABOUT OCTOBER 22, FROM 9AM TO NOON? BAKER ROSHI IS THE HOST.

AGREED - MEETING ENDED AND LARRY, HUEY, AND LOIS LEFT.

JOANNA THEN SHOWED A FILMED INTERVIEW OF TIM LEARY AT FOLSUM PRISON.

GASHO,
Richard
RICHARD AUSTIN